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TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

London, April 3-Morning. I have received the following despatch from the New York Herald special correspondent in Paris, dated yesterday evening (April 2).

AN ENGAGEMENT NEAR PARIS-ADVANCE OF THE INSURGENTS.

Your correspondent telegraphs :-

A serious engagement took place this morning between the forces of the Versailles government and those of the Commune. A column of about two thousand insurgent National Guards which had been stationed at the bridge of Neuilly moved from that point and marched on the village of Courbevoie, situated on the peninsula of Germevilliers, not far from Fort Mont Valerien.

THE FIRST SHOT.

The insurgents were met by a force of gendarmes and the Gardes Forestiers when near their destination. As the hostile forces neared each other the captain of the Gardes Forestiers, leaving his command, galloped forward, waving his cap as if he desired to address the communists. Before he could say anything, however, a Zouave, one of the deserters from the regular army, in the ranks of the insurgents, fired at and shot him dead.

THE FIGHT-ROUT OF THE INSURGENTS. This cold-blooded murder was the signal a general action between the two five prisoners, whom they shot immedidiately. One of the prisoners was an old man of seventy-six years of age. During the engagement the guns of Fort Mont Valerien swept the roads between Pateaux, Courbevoie and Neuilly. The contest lasted till one e'clock in the afternoon, when the communists fled into Paris, having lost twenty-five of their number killed and many wounded. . GREAT EXCITEMENT IN PARIS.

At the present writing the excitement in Paris is tremendous. The National Guards still hold Porte Maillot, and battalions of infantry and batteries of artillery are hurrying forward in that direction. The rappel is beating throughout Paris and the forces of the Commune are manning the ramparts of the

ANOTHER REPORT OF THE FIGHT.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

Rout of the Communists-Many Prisoners Captured-The Line of the Seine Occupied. LONDON, April 2, 1871.

The following despatch has just been received from Versailles, and is forwarded for the HERALD:

BOUT OF THE INSURGENTS.

/ Several thousand National Guards, occupying Puteau, Courbevoie and the Bridge of Neuilly, have been routed by the troops, who carried the barricades and captured many prisoners. The Nationals fled into the city. The moral effect of the affair is excellent.

MOVEMENTS OF THE ARMY. The Army of Versailes has occupied St. Cloud and the line of the Seine.

THE CRISIS AT HAND.

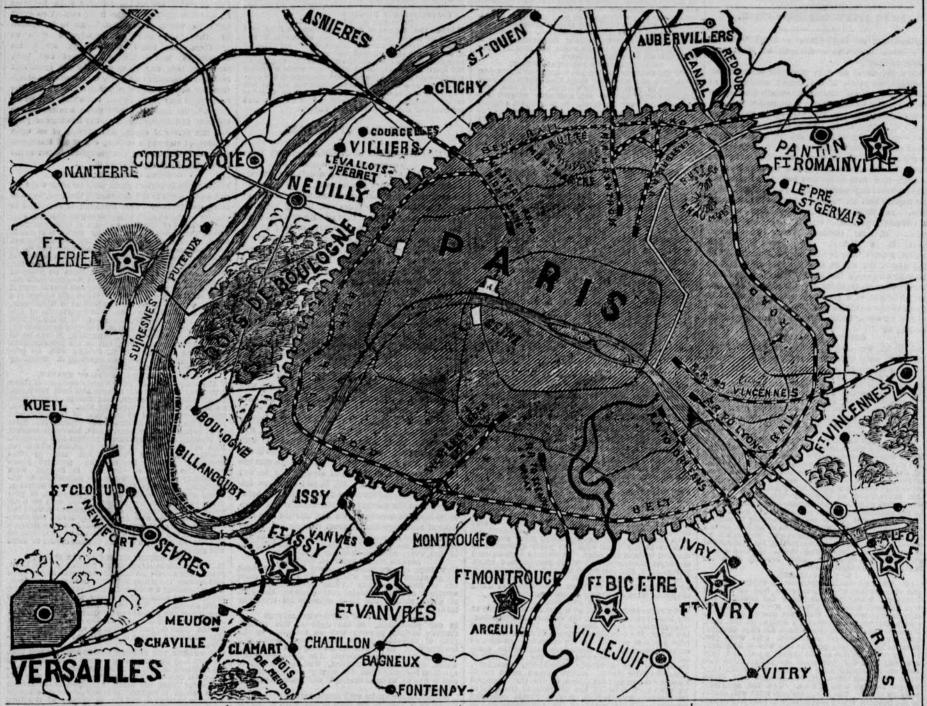
TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD. The Crisis at Hand-A Great Fight in Promarck Threatens a German Occupation of Paris.

London, April 3-Morning. The New York HERALD special correspondent at Versailles telegraphs, under date of yesterday (April 2) evening, as follows:-

THE CRISIS AT HAND. The crisis of the communist rebellion and of the Versailles government is at hand. Troops are moving towards the capital and

THE ROUGH REBELLION. SCENE OF THE INSURGENTS' DEFEAT NEAR PARIS.

Situations of Puteaux, Courbevoie and Neuilly--Positions Held by the Communists---Line of the Seine Occupied by the Government Forces.



the road to Paris. All the ambulances are in readiness and everything presages a great

A THREAT FROM BISMARCK.

Bismarck has given permission for the Versailles authorities to mass any number of troops near Paris. He says that if the insurrection is not suppressed and order restored in Paris by the 15th instant the German army will enter and take possession of the city. This information may be accepted as reliable.

THE VERSAILLES GOVERN-MENT.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

Charette Holding Nantes-Army Outposts Pushed Forward-Reinforcements-Government Circular to the Prefects-The Southern Cities Quiet-Insurgents Defeated at Nar-

LONDON, April 2, 1871. I am enabled to report the following intelligence for the information of the NEW YORK HERALD:-CHARETTE HOLDING NANTES.

A despatch from Versailles, dated yesterday, reports that General Charette, the legitimist leader,

ARMY OUTPOSTS PUSHED FORWARD. The outposts of the Army of Versailles, on the Avenue de Neully, have been pushed within a hundred vards of the ramparts. An attack in that quarter is expected. A considerable force is also concentrated on the heights of chantillon.

REINFORCEMENTS CONSTANTLY ABRIVING. The Versaliles government constantly receives renforcements of troops, and fresh camps are established as they arrive. The army now under its control in the vicinity of Versailles consists of eight divisions of infantry and three of cavalry. All un-

CIRCULAR PROM M. THIPPS. President Thiers telegraphs the prefects of de-

reliable troops are sent home.

partments that Lyons, St. Ettenne, Le Creuzot, foulouse and Perpignan are quiet. Zenits, with 900 men, has defeated the insurgents at Narbonne and captured their leaders. Marseilles has recognized the regular government. The Commune in Paris is divided, agitated and powerless. The Assembly is sitting tranquilly at Versailles; surrounded by the best army France ever had. ARMY ORGANIZATION.

The government has charged General Clinchamps with the organization of the troops. EXODUS FROM PARIS-VERSALLIES CROWDED.

Paris is quiet, but the exodus of the inhabitants continues. Versailles is crowded to overflowing. and lodgings are only to be had at fabulous prices.

THE COMMUNE.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

Public Sittings-Fighting at the Bridge of Sevres-The Communists on the March-Movement to Disarm Loyalists-A Sociallatic Proposition-Object of the Revolution-The Commercial Question.

LONDON, April 2, 1871. I have received toe following despatches from Paris and Versailles, dates yesterday, and forward them for publication in the NEW YORK HERALD:-

THE COMMINE TO HOLD PUBLIC STITUTES. The Mot d'Ordre (newspaper) of Paris says that the sittings of the Communal Council will soon be made public.

COLLISION AT THE BRIDGE OF SEVRES.

The Journal des Débats reports a collision at the Bridge of Sevres with Ducrot's men, and adds:-The battalions of the committee were on the alert last night, fearing an attack. There were ten thon sand men in the Bois de Boulogne and a large number bivouacked in the Champs Elysces. The gates two batteries of artillery have just left, taking of Maillot, Auteuil and Point du Jour were closed.

NO FIGHTING ON SATURDAY.

The rumors which have been current of fighting pefore Paris on yesterday (Saturday) are false.

The Mot d'Ordre states that battalions provided with camping materials marched out on Friday in the direction of Passy.

NATIONALS ON THE MARCH.

MOVEMENT TO DISARM LOYALISTS

A Versailles despatch reports that a movement is on foot in Paris to disarm and disband all battalions of Nationals which do not recognize the authority of the Committee. The Cri du Peuple demands that this proposition be speedily carried into effect in the Second arrondissement.

ORGANIZING MARCHING BATTALIONS. The organization and equipment of marching battalions in Paris is actively going on.

WHERE THE MONEY COMES PROM. The Paris Committee intend to issue assignats to meet their immediate necessities.

The Nationals have occupied the buildings of the Creatt Foncier. The party of order still hold posto save itself from being plundered, has advanced 3.000,000 francs to the insurgents. THE COMMITTEE ASKED TO RETIRE.

The Mot Wordre has an article, signed by Henri Rochefort, summoning the committee to retire and not provoke a contest with the Commune.

THE PREFECTURES. The Stack demands the sholltion of prefectures

and the reduction of the number of departments. WHAT M. LOCKROY DEMANDED.

M. Edouard Lockroy writes to the Rappel that he proposed to the Assembly to recognize what had been done in Paris, to adopt an electoral law, conwoke the Constituent Assembly and then to dissolve:

PROPOSED ABOLITION OF INHERITANCE. The same despatch states that the Sociale, a new evening journal, proposes the abolition of inheritance of property, and the Cri du Peuple approves. OBJECT OF THE REVOLUTION.

The Official Journal of the insurgents declares that the object of the revolution is to guarantee the perpetuity of the republic by laying the foundations broad, deep and immovable. Paris, renouncing independence, will still be the head of France,

THE COMMERCIAL QUESTION.

The Commune, destring a conciliatory settlement of the question as to the maturity of bills, asked the workingmen's societies and the Chambers of Com merce to give their views on the subject. A conference was held Friday with the merchants, and the Commune decided to accept their proposition for partial payments, without prejudicing the question of ultimate liability for the whole amount of

Decrees issued by the Commune suppress the title and functions of commander-in-chief, remove Brunel and appoint Endes Delegate Minister of War, Bergeret Unlef of Staff, and Duval Military Commander and Prefect of Folice.

ELECTIONS ORDERED TO FILL VACANCIES. The Commune of Paris has ordered elections in the arrondissements on the 5th Instant to fill the vacancies occasioned by the resignation of sixteen

MISCRLLANGOUS ITEMS. All the gates of Paris have been reopened, except

that of Passy. The reorganization of the Octrol and the compl

Circulation in and about Paris is free to all perons who do not bear arms. The exclusion of religion from the public schools

tion of the public buildings are contemplated.

DESPATCHES BY MAIL.

Hostility to the Germans-They Must Seek Work Elsewhere-The Communists-Gari-buldi-Mr. Washburne's Reception-The Public Place Opening-The Cattle Disease. PARIS. March 10, 1871.

The city has been the scene of much excitement during the past three days-Germans returning to

Paris mostly the cause. Large crowds collect been away during the war and return to their fermer business occupations. On Thursday coniderable excitement prevailed at the Hotel Chateau. During the day a mob had notified their intention of shutting it up, stating the proprietor to be a Prussian. Many English and American families left "double quick" for saler quarters. The Germans are now returning; but if they are all received as I know a number have been, Germany will understand that her last word with France is not said. their families here to protect their property during their service in the Prussian army with their lives, by attempting to settle down again in Paris. The feeling exhibited is savage, and to such an extent is this feeling shown that foreigners have to be cautious and make known their nationality in some quarters of the city or else they expose themselves to all kinds of insults and assaults.

ON THE CHAMPS ELYSEES I witnessed one of these exhibitions of hatred. A crowd of gamins were playing, and a young American passed in the midst. "Il est Prussien!" was the ery. He walked on and no notice was taken. Directly an old lady, dressed in deep mourning, passed slowly along. "Ah, Prussienne!" they cried. net and dress in tatters, and had not a few soldier. interfered she would have been foully dealt withtheir cries of, "To the water!" &c., &c. This state of things continues, and the authorities take no pains to put it down, and in most cases the innocent

THREE BAVARIAN OFFICERS WERE ARRESTED yesterday and taken to the Mazas prison. Henry Binler, the great carriage builder, who employs generally from 600 to 800 workmen, placarded on his large factory, Boulevard Haussmann, "No Germans who have been serving against the French cause employed." Several other large houses who have recently reopened have also done the same thing. It is incredible how strongly the feeling of hatred manifests itself. The French are going earnestly to work to repair the misfortunes of their

THE COMMUNISTS AGAIN SEEKING ARMS.

A number dressed as National Guards present themselves at the factory of M. Godwin as presenting a paper, stamped, &c., declared the had been sent by the government to make a requisition of all the arms therein. M. Godwin, a little stupefied at such an use expected requisition, demanded by whom. "B order of the Committee of Public Saiety," M. Godwin refused to recognize the demand and requeste a day to think it over; in the meantume he informe the suthorities of what had taken place, and immediately a number of troops were sent to defend the factory and the patriotic, requisitionists did not return with their official stamp, &c. Just before the Prussians entered the Belivilers stole about for thousand cartridges and hid them no one know where. The Communists are all more or les armed and the government is aware of it. It is no surprising they think of naving the sitting at Versalles instead of Paris.

GARIBALDI COMING. THE COMMUNISTS AGAIN SEEKING ARMS.

GARIBALDI COMING.

Rochefort publishes the following letter of Garibaldi, addressed to one of his friends in Paris:— My DEAR LANLIND—Tell the Parisians that I shall be with them the day that they shall have washed the soil of their beaufful country from the pollution of despotism and of priests, and that in their distress I love them more. Your devotedly, CAPBERA, March 1, 1871.

CAPBERA, March I, 1971.

MR. WASHBURNE
has entertained during the week General Sheridan
and Commodore Wells. The American ammulance
is all broken up and the doctors are taking a rest
from their severe labors—Dr. Swinburne in Paris and
Dr. Johnston with his family in Nice. The ambulance has been a great success, but no "red ribbons"
have been given as yet, althouga they are expected
by many of the "devoted" at that institution. When
they are decorated the Herald will know it. Nearly
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PUBLIC EDIFICES ARE NOW OPENING.
The museum of Cluny was open Saturday for the
first time in six months. The fine paintings, which
were removed early in September, are now being
removed from their hiding places, and the Louvre
will be open next week. This is good news for the
artists, who have been deprived of entrée so long a
time.

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THE THEATRES ARE ALL OPEN,
but no new pieces of note are played. The Gaieté,
while piping the "Siege of Paris," is playing
the "Chatre Blanche" to crowded nouses.

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ALL THE CAPES
in the Champs Elysees are "undergoing repairs and some have aiready commenced concerts. The few that were in readiness were badly damaged by the enraged mobs, who stole and broke everything they could—all because these cares had been open during the stay of the Prussians on March 1. The government was compelled to place guards to protect them, but, as is the case here too often, the National Guards arrive when the smash-up is over. The gamins of the city have caused much mischief, and it happens that the Guards never succeed in arresting any of them. They say they are boys, but dangerous boys when armed with sticks and stones. Some of the demi-monde who have made their outdoor promenades since the fine weather, are should at and bissed, amid cries of "To Berlin!"

CATTLE DISEASE

CATTLE DISEASE is making great ravages in the city; at the granaries of Vangiraid 260 die a day. They have been removed from La Vilette. Large quantities were sold on Friday; during the sale a number dropped dead on the roadside and were left there all day and night, but some of the fearless inhabitants in the vicinity took them, and in the morning blood and some bones were the only remnants of the diseased beef. The prices, which have been very moderate since the armistice, are now increasing on account of the numbers dying. Means of transporting all the dead cattle have been started. The environs of Paris are still in a bad state, and the papers are urging the government to dig deeper trenches than they have done and burn the innumerable bodies which are now lying barely covered in the vicinity. The sanitary condition is still improving here.

Attempt of Germans to Return to France-Action of the American Consul at Boulogne The Teutons Advised to Keep Away.

During the past week scarcely a day has elapsed without the packet boats to Boulogne bringing over from England a number, more or less considerable, of Germans desirous of returning to Paris. In con-sequence of their papers not bearing the visa of the mission to any Germans to return to France, the Teutons have been arrested on their arrival at Boulogne by police agents, who have to consult the authorities before allowing any foreigner whose papers are not in order to proceed on his voyage. The sous-Prétet de Boulogne has thought proper to apply the old law relating to passports to the Germans in question, and they were therefore ordered to return

THE PROTECTION OF THE UNITED STATES. As a last resource the Germans, considering them selves as still under the protection of the American authorities, notwithstanding the conclusion of John de la Montagnie, the American Consul at Bo logne, by whom they were informed that, even sup

logne, by whom they were informed that, even supposing he could still allow them the advantage of his influence as representative of the United States of America, they would certainly be exposed to two great dangers if permitted to continue their voyage to Paris. One of those dangers consisted in the fact that if they were recognized in the Prussian lines they would either be imprisoned or shot for not having answered to their country's call when the war broke out; and the other in the very great probability that they would be massacred when recognized as Germans in Paris.

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The sub-prefect of Boulogne very kindly informed them that he wished to avoid the crime of assassination, to which they would be exposed in Prance, and therefore insisted upon their return to England. Most of the Germans in question appeared to be thoroughly unconscious of the Irritated state of feeling existing against them thronghout France, and imagined that because peace had been made they would be allowed to resume their former occupations in the French capital, to which they were all bound. One obstinate Bavarian insisted that with a passport from the "Bavarian Minister" he was entitled to travel anywhere! In this case, however, the Bavarian proposed, but the French sub-prefect disposed.

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SENT BACK AT THE EXPENSE OF AMERICA.

The result was that on Thursday and Friday last twenty-three Germans were sent back to England at half price, at the expense of the American Consul, who, although his political mission is at an end through the declaration of peace, has still a large stock of humanity left on hand for the relief of the victus of the war, whether they be French or Germanical and the statement of the statement of the war, whether they be French or Germanical and the statement of the

A Sad Scene in Bordenux-Death of the Brave Mayor of Strasbourg-Died o Broken Heart-Faueral Scene BORDEAUX, March 4, 1871.

Yesterday the last earthly remains of poor M Kass, deputy from Alsace and Mayor of Strasbourg. whose untimely end caused such profound sorrow to the Orleans depot to be from there transported to his weeping family, who are waiting with agonized hearts in that patriotic old city of Strasbourg which he defended so gallantly and loved so well. DIED BROKEN-HEARTED.

something extremely mournful in the

breumstances attending his death, not only because he died far away from home among strangers, but on account of the dark and melancholy events vnich accompanied it and of which it as it were, a part. Six months ago he was a strong and healthy man, but those who saw the weak, trembling figure that left the Chamber three days ago would never have suspected that he it was whose steady courage and untiring energy animated the people of Strasbourg during a siege whose terrors far exceeded that of Paris, to that heroic resistance which has gained them the admiration of the world. But sorrow and care, the norrors of the war that has ravaged his country for months, the tyrannous rule of the Prussians, loss of property, grief at the destruction of his native city, and, last of all, the cruel desertion of his country by that France for whom he had sacrificed everything, from whom he had hoped everything, overcame and broke down at last a strong but delicate organization, and he died, as everybody says, of a broken heart, breathing his last at twelve o'clock at night on the very day the French people basely ypted away his country to the Germans in exchange for a dishonorable peaco. As the shadows of midnight gathered around his dying bed and a thousand electric tongues were telling the news of the surrender of Alsace all over the world and the black pail of sorrow and wretchedness had sunk down upon France, his troubled spirit entered the dark valley of death, like the ghost of his murdered country, passing away in gloom and despair. Although sick and feeble he had made the long, weary voyage weak, trembling figure that left the Cham-

was conducted by an immense throng, M. Gambetta, three other members of the Assembly, the Mayor of Bordeaux and the Prefect of the Gironde acting as pall bearers, followed by the Deputies of the Lower Rnine, many other members of the House, the Paris press and the City Council of Bordeaux as mourners. The National Guards, a regiment of marines and haif the population of Bordeaux made up the Prondandege, the Alieés de Tourny, the Chapeau Rouge and the quais, was nearly two hours reaching the Orleans depot.

hand and fact to the Prussians, it was too much for him, and the broken frame gave way under the

GERMANY AND FRANCE.

Prince Bismarck's Warning to the Murderous "Reds."

The Territorial Union of Alsace and Lorraine-Prussian Legislative Debate-Ominous Hint of "Effectual" German Action.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

BERSIN, April 2, 1871. The subject of the future policy of Germany to-wards France generally, as well as of the immediate system of government which the Prussians will adopt towards the conquered territory of Alsace and Lorraine, engages the serious attention of the North German Cabinet and Parliament.

This fact has been made apparent by the cable telegram despatches in which I have recently reported the proceedings of the German Parliament to the HERALD. It has been confirmed by the very latest debate which has taken place in the Prussian legislative body, Prince Bismarck himself taking part I am enabled to announce to-day that during the

ession of the Reichstag yesterday the bill for the union of Alsace and Lorraine with the German empire was received and referred to a special com-

Herr Zelkinski moved that the Polish territories shall not be included in the empire. The motion was rejected.

Prince Bismarck explained the policy of the Prussian government towards France He said "it was the interest of Germany to facilitate the task of republican France. The Emperor had decided not to intervene unless the interests of Germany were endangered, and then the action would be taken which would be effectual."

THE AUSTRIAN PARLIAMENT

Debate on the Government Army Bill.

Struggling to Retain the Military Power-Plan of National Armamen'.

Firm Opposition to the Cabinet-Imperialism

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD. VIENNA, April 2, 1871.

The Austrian Cabinet is not satisfied with the general aspect of affairs in Europe. There are "rumors of war." The Ministers are excited, but it is difficult to say from what side or source ther apprehend danger.

Continuing my telegraph report of the Parliamentary proceedings for the Herald, I have to state that in the Reichsrath a most excited debate is in

There is a wide division of opinion on the propos tion of the government plan to raise a fresh contingent of recruits under the new army bill.

The House yesterday rejected a motion to adjourn for the usual Easter recess, and the discussion will be resumed on Monday.

CITIZEN ALARM AND ITS CAUSES. The people who are subject to the rule of Austria have become alarmed at the persistency with which

the Emperor's government seeks to maintain the expensive and harassing plan of a huge national armament at a moment when the Cabinet professes a policy of peace.

This feeling has just been intensified by the publication in Vienna of a pamphlet, the authorship of which is attributed to the Archduke Albert, its object being to urge a reorganization and strengthen ing of the military power "as essential the very existence gives statistics showing that while North Germany can bring three and one-third to three and a half per cent of its populati into the field, or from 1,283,000 to 1,347,000 mer Austria in the spring of 1871 can only muster 911,000. Germany—as the book alleges—can bring into the field 699,000 infantry, against 579,000 Austria; bayonets; 74,375 cavalry, against 49,460 Austrians, and 1,794 guns, against 1,248 Austrian cannot While, moreover, Germany, in time of peace, has 65,000 horses, Austria has only 27,265, so that on the outbreak of war 20,000 animals will have to be procured. The writer proposes that the Austrian infantry should be raised to 771,000, the cavalry to 60,000, and the guns to 1,568; that the Enns (t) line of defence should be fortified. Olmutz and Comorn strengthened Pesth and the Carpathian passes fortified, and

The expense of these works to be defraved by a

new government loan of large amount. The Austrian Minister of War asks from the Par Bamentary delegations an extraordinary credit amounting to thirty millions of American gold lollars-that is, more than two-thirds in excess of the sum asked for the regular maintenance of the army. The chief items in this extrordinary credit make up in florins ten millions of dollars (American gold) to cover the expenses rendered neces sary by the political events of last year, and fifteen millions gold dollars for the purchase of further material for war nurposes.

Arrival of General Valuaseds at Espirita HAVANA, April 2, 1871. Captain General Valmaseda has arrived at Santi

OBITUARY.

Jacob M. Howard.

that Jacob M. Howard died at seven o'clock yester day morning in that city. Deceased was born in Shaftesbury, Vt., July 10, 1805, received a good education, and in early life taught in an academy in Massachusetts. In the year 1832 he removed to Michigan and having for some time studied law was admitted and having for some time studied law was admitted to the bar of that State, then a territory, one year later. In the following year Mr. Howard was elected to the Legislature. During the years of 1841 and 1843 he represented the State in Congress, and after his term of office expired he was elected attorney deneral of the State, to which position he was subsequently elected for two consecutive terms. In 1866 he was elected to Congress and this position he held for a number of years. Deceased was a man of considerable popularity and of much ability and his sterling qualities of head and heart secured him the friendship of many persons who remained him the friendship of many persons who remain true to him up to the time of his death.

THE FIRE IN ST. JOHN.

Sr. JOHN, N. B., April 1, 1871. The fire on Ward street was got under about one P. M. The following buildings were burned: Walker's soap chandlery, insured; Smith's blackwaiker's soap chandlery, insured; Sinita Saccismith shop, not insured; a number of wooden buildings owned by George Redell, not insured; Lawrence's brick building, not insured; two wooden buildings, not insured; two building, lately erected by Alian Brothers, on Water street, insured for \$14,000; a wooden building, owned and occupied by James Harris as a foundry, insured, and five or six other buildings. The estimated loss is \$50,000; insurance \$30,000.

BLOOMFIELD'S BRUTAL BUTCHERY.

The condition of Conrad Kuelgertner, the German who was stabled in the region of the heart in Bloomfield on Saturday, as detailed in yesterday's HERALD, appears to be about the same as last reported. No notification of the matter was received at the county payatekan's office up to a late hour last evening. Meanwhile his assailant, William Tompkins, has been removed from Newark city prison to the Essex county iail.